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PART 1. -- GENERAL

PART 2. -- PERSONNEL

201. ELIGIBILITY AND RETENTION POLICY FOR HUSBAND AND WIFE TEAMS.--Membership of a husband and wife team is authorized only when the applicants have no dependents. Date of enlistment need not be effected on the same date for this policy to apply. Retention of a husband and wife team who subsequent to enlistment claim a dependent is authorized during the current term provided they enlisted without dependents. Upon reaching eligibility for extension of enlistment, on the same date, either the husband or wife will be rendered ineligible and must be discharged by reason of failure to meet dependency criteria. Should the eligibility for extension of enlistment occur on separate dates, the discharge rule applies to whomever's extension eligibility is scheduled first.

202. ARNG TESTING POLICIES.--Authorized testing materials for determining enlistment eligibility are the ACB-1973 and ASVAB test forms. ACB-1973 will be used only at ARNG test sites. ASVAB will be given applicants at the AFEES or will have been given previously at the high school attended. Test scores are valid for 2-years for enlistment purposes. An applicant tested with the ASVAB need not be retested with ACB-1973 or vice-versa.

203. SELECTION OF AN ALTERNATE MOS.--Some trainees do not qualify for their designated primary MOS due to physical problems, lack of proper MOS prerequisites or academic failure during training. This results in the Training Center having to accomplish extensive coordination with States to obtain new training quota. This task consumes time and delays the training cycle of a trainee. Designation of an alternate MOS on IADT orders should assist in the resolution of this problem.

Alternate MOS must be an MOS that is authorized and needed by the unit, and not contain the same prerequisites as the designated primary MOS (normally a lesser skill level).

Training in an alternate MOS should be the exception rather than the rule.

204. ADMINISTRATIVE LINE OF DUTY DETERMINATIONS.--An excessive number of requests for line of duty determinations are being needlessly forwarded to NGB. These are cases in which an administrative determination is all that is required. Examples of instances in which administrative determinations suffice are as follows:

a. Member treated by civilian doctor or in civilian facility who is fully restored to duty prior to the end of the training period and no further treatment anticipated.

b. Medical officer and unit commander agree that disease or injury was in line of duty and an informal or formal investigation is not specifically required.

Details are contained in para 4, NGR 600-3.

205. LINE OF DUTY - INCAPACITATION PAY.--It is noted in many instances, that requests for line of duty determinations, especially those involving incapacitation pay are not being forwarded to the National Guard Bureau until 60 to 90 days or even longer after the occurrence of the event requiring this determination. In many cases, statements of witnesses which should have been obtained immediately after the event, are not being obtained until 45 days or more thereafter. It is requested that the Statement of Medical Examination and Duty Status (DA Form 2173 be initiated immediately after the injury takes place). To avoid possible hardship, in cases where authorization of incapacitation pay is pending, the case must be forwarded to NGB as soon as practicable but in any event no later than 30 days after the event. A note attached to the top of the request and identifying it as involving incapacitation pay, will assist the NGB line of duty staff who are reviewing these cases on a priority basis.

206. TECHNICIAN VACANCY.--The following technician vacancy is announced in the Montana Army National Guard. Refer to Technician Vacancy Announcement posted on unit bulletin boards for details.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Clerk-Typist	Helena MT	GS-04

207. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ARMY MERITORIOUS SERVICE AND ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL.--In Part IV, DA Form 638, the proposed citation will be typed double-spaced and will not exceed 12 characters per inch and 9 lines total. Therefore, the description of the individual's performance must be factual as well as concise. A one-page summary (double-spaced) of the deed, service, or achievement which merited the award recommendation will be attached to the DA Form 638 as an inclosure. The citation should contain no abbreviations whatsoever. The use of pompous, stilted language is not only wasteful of the limited space in this section, but also tends to detract from a favorable evaluation. (Change 4, AR 672-5-1, 20 Jun 77)

PART 3. -- OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

301. BIATHLON RACE.--The first race of the MTNG Biathlon Season will be held at the Izaak Walton Inn, Essex, MT on 26 Nov 77 at 1100 hrs.

Ready! First make arrangements for lodging at the Inn, then gather up and bring your ski equipment, and don't forget your .22 rifle if available. Questions? Call CPT T. Kramer at 549-8861 or 728-6998.

302. AT 78 SITE/DATE.--MT ARNG units will attend their Annual Training for 1978 at the place and during the time frame indicated below:

- a. 3669th Maint Co - 1-16 April 1978, OCONUS - Mannheim, Germany
- b. Hq & Hq Det, MT ARNG - Year Round Training at the times and places as directed by the Chief of Staff
- c. 1049th EN Plt - 8-22 April 1978, Fort Harrison, MT
- d. 103d Public Affairs Det - 11-25 June 1978, Fort Harrison, MT
- e. OCS/NCO Academy - 11-25 June 1978, Fort Harrison, MT
- f. HHD, 6th SF Bn and Co C, 5th SF Bn - 11 June 1978-1 July 1978
Camp Williams, UT

g. HHT(-) 163d ACR and 1st Sqdn, 163d ACR - 9-25 June 1978,
Gowen Field, ID

h. 2d Sqdn, 163d ACR and N Trp, 163d ACR - 8-23 April 1978,
Yakima FC, WA

i. DS Maint Sect, Det 1 HHT, 163d ACR - 8-23 April 1978,
Yakima FC, WA. The section will be attached to N Trp, 163d AC during
this period for administration and training. Commander 6th US Army
has been asked to furnish an evaluator for the section.

PART 4. -- SUPPLY

401. DELETION OF GREEN SERVICE CAP.--a. On 1 October 1977, the green
service cap "Flying Saucer" (LIN D02928) was eliminated from the en-
listed mans clothing bag. The cap remains as optional wear for EM
except for formations. However, the cap remains an organizational is-
sue item for EM assigned to ceremonial units, bands and honor guards.

b. Effective immediately, the cap is being withdrawn from Service
Stock and the Basis of Issue is being eliminated from Chapter 10, SOP
USPFO MONT.

c. The cap is listed as nonrecoverable in paragraph 2-29f, NGR
710-2. Therefore, those individuals issued the cap on their Personal
Clothing Record (DA Form 3327) may retain the cap for optional wear
and need not account for the item upon termination of service.

402. ARNG CLOTHING PROCEDURES.--a. Pending publication of a revision
to NGR 710-2, the following changes are effective immediately:

b. Paragraph 2-29d is changed to read as follows:

"d. Retention of personal clothing.

(1) Enlisted personnel who are discharged to accept a com-
mission or appointment as a warrant officer in the Active Army, ARNG
or USAR are authorized to retain all personal clothing items in their
possession except the Overcoat, AG 44 and the Raincoat, AG 274.

(2) Individuals qualifying for retirement from the ARNG
may retain all items of personal clothing in their possession including
the Overcoat, AG 44 and the Raincoat, AG 274.

(3) Individuals discharged for other than the above reasons
may retain the non-recoverable items listed in paragraph 2-29f below.
All other items of clothing and equipment will be turned in. Items
that must be turned in and are short will be adjusted using a Statement
of Charges or Report of Survey and processed in accordance with AR/NGR
735-11."

c. Paragraph 2-30.1 (added) is deleted.

d. Paragraph 2-30.2 (added) is deleted.

e. Units are cautioned that failure to comply with the above
procedures will result in serious accountability problems which could
result in pecuniary liability for commanders and individuals.

403. FOOD PROTECTION DURING HOLIDAY SEASON.--a. During the coming holiday season, it is imperative that all personnel responsible for storing, preparing, and serving food be aware of the provisions of para 6-2b, AR 405, as it pertains to food protection.

b. Items such as pumpkin pies, poultry, dressing, etc., are easily contaminated and will support growth of many disease-producing organisms if not stored, prepared, and served properly. These foods should be prepared as close to the serving time as possible.

c. The following guidelines should be followed when preparing these food items:

(1) Turkey should be removed from the freezer and thawed under refrigeration, not at room temperature. The turkey should not be stuffed as all dressing should be cooked separately.

(2) Pumpkin pie should be refrigerated promptly after preparation and remain refrigerated until serving time.

(3) Leftovers of potentially hazardous food should be held to a minimum through proper food service management. Items placed on the serving line or otherwise exposed during service will be discarded as waste. Freezing of these leftover items is prohibited.

404. MTOE DISCREPANCIES.--a. NGB develops MTOEs from base TOE and changes provided by TRADOC through TAADS system. In some cases, errors occur in the Equipment Allowance Section of the MTOE. The most apparent errors are mismatches of radio installation kits, radios and vehicles within a paragraph or errors in quantity of individual weapons allowances compared to assigned individuals in Section II.

b. When errors are noted by units, the following actions should be taken as soon as possible:

(1) Identify MTOE and paragraph including the full MTOE designation (07-045HNG02) and the CCNUM (NG 0177).

(2) Describe the error.

(3) Provide recommendation for correction.

(4) Use DA Form 2028 or provide in narrative form.

(5) Forward original and one (1) copy thru command channels to DAM-OTAG ATTN: POT-T.

(6) Forward information copy to USPFO for Montana, ATTN: PFO-LOG.

c. After verification, POT-T will forward original to NGB-ARO-U and an information copy to NGB-ARL-R.

405. USPFO WAREHOUSE INVENTORY.--The USPFO warehouse will be closed for inventory 5 through 9 December 1977. Turn-in of supplies and equipment from units and activities will not be accepted during the period 25 November through 9 December 1977. Request for issue (DA Form 2765/2765-1) for issue priority designators 01 through 08 for stock items will be accomplished on a Post-Post basis as required. Units and activities may continue to submit requests for issue (DA Form 2765), Self-Service Supply Center Request and Quick Service Supply requests on a continuing basis.

PART 5. -- FISCAL AND TRANSPORTATION

PART 6. -- MAINTENANCE

601. DA FORM 2408-9, USAGE REPORTS.--a. Effective immediately, it is no longer necessary to prepare a DA Form 2408-9 for usage reports provided that the vehicle log books contain a previous report.

b. Each property book holder will be furnished with a printout prior to the 1 November (Tactical Vehicles) and 1 February (Combat Vehicles) reporting periods. The PBO's will obtain the necessary miles, hours, or rounds from each unit or OMS holding the vehicles and enter the current information on the printout. The original will be returned to the Director of Maintenance, P.O. Box 4789, Helena, MT 59601, to arrive not later than the report due date. The duplicate copy will be retained for the unit files. Subject reports will be cutoff the 20th of month preceeding the due date and submitted to arrive by the due date.

c. The log book holder will make entries on the previous DA Form 2408-9 in pencil by lining out the old reported information and insert the current information reported to the PBO. Entries changed will be the hours, miles, rounds, and julian date.

d. If a usage report has not been previously prepared, an initial usage DA Form 2408-9 is needed before the procedures in paragraph c above can be used.

602. EQUIPMENT CONTROL RECORD (DA FORM 2408-9).

a. Improper preparation and maintenance of the DA Form 2408-9 is becoming quite a problem to the office of the SMO, USPFO Data Processing Center and the National Guard Bureau.

b. Information furnished on the form is required and used by a number of agencies to include Department of the Army, National Guard Bureau, USPFO and office of the SMO. It is especially important to all of us in computing equipment density, preparing and monitoring materiel readiness reports and for updating equipment status reports.

c. When the DA Form 2408-9 switched to automation, we were required to compile a End Item Master Identification File (EIMIF) based on all equipment listed in Appendix E, TM 38-750. This was accomplished through the efforts of the PBO's, AST's and OMS personnel. We felt confident that we had a complete listing and a simple method for maintaining it as changes occurred, i.e., preparation of DA Form 2408-9 when an

item of equipment (listed in the above mentioned Appendix) was lossed, gained, or transferred from our system.

d. Many errors exist in our current EIMIF list and were caused by:

(1) Personnel not completing DA Form 2408-9 (within three working days) when a unit received a new reportable (Appendix E, TM 38-750) item of equipment.

(2) Some units/OMS shops preparing DA Form 2408-9 utilizing their own UIC code rather than the PBO's when a reportable item of equipment has been transferred between property book accounts or is lossed (turned in) from our system.

(3) Some units/OMS shops utilizing DODAC's instead of the PBO's UIC code.

e. The responsibility for preparation of this form normally lies with maintenance personnel (usage), however, the "Transfer, Loss and Gain" portion must be completed by the PBO or his representative, i.e., AST when authorized by the PBO. Because of the importance of the form and the error rate in our EIMIF file, it is requested that all PBO's and AST's review TM 38-750, The Army Maintenance Management System, Chapter 4, para 4-9 for use and preparation of the form. Disposition will be in accordance with the State Maintenance Program.

603. MISSION VEHICLE INSPECTION CRITERIA.

a. Over the past few years, numerous discussions have been generated and great concern expressed as to whether or not a diesel fuel leak on a potential nuclear weapons carrying mission vehicle constitutes a severe hazard.

b. During 1976-1977, 24 vehicle fires occurred in USAREUR. In seven of these cases, the cause was reported as leaks, splashes or spills of diesel oil ignited on hot engines or manifolds. Three were reported as caused by leaking lubricating oil ignited on hot engines. The remaining 14 were reported as gasoline ignited on hot engines or manifolds, or by sparks emitted from electrical systems.

c. In view of the above information, fuel leaks of mission vehicles, regardless of the type of fuel, must be prevented.

d. Fuel leak inspection criteria for mission vehicles will be as follows: A fuel leak is a readily detectable loss of fluid, e.g., forming of droplets, from components of the fuel system. If such a leak constitutes a fire hazard, e.g., diesel fuel dripping on exhaust system, large volume fuel spurts anywhere in the system, the vehicle will be rejected as unserviceable.

604. DEFECTIVE RAMP CABLES.

a. A recent report has indicated a problem may exist with Ramp Cables NSN 4010-00-712-8374, P/N 10874714 purchased under contract numbers DAAE07-75M-8285 and DAAE07-75C-1925, used on the following vehicles:

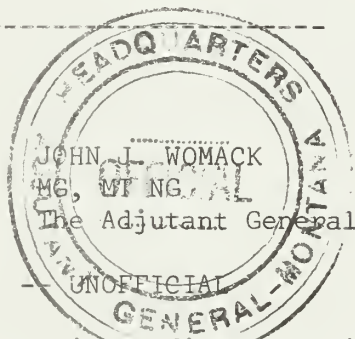
- (1) M113, M113A1 Personnel Carrier
- (2) M577, M577A1 Carrier Command Post
- (3) M132, M132A1 Carrier Flame Thrower
- (4) M741 Chasis Gun
- (5) XM806 XM806E1 Recovery Vehicle
- (6) M106, M106A1 Carrier Mortar

b. Indications are the swaged eyelet end of subject cables has a tendency to crack. In order to preclude an accident, an initial visual inspection should be performed on above vehicles upon receipt of this message to insure that cracks are not present. All cables assemblies found to be cracked at the swaged ends should be replaced immediately. Suggest follow up inspections be made on a monthly basis until further notice. Action is being taken to correct the above cited deficiency.

PART 7. -- SAFETY

PART 8. -- FACILITIES AND SECURITY

PART 9. -- UNOFFICIAL



901. FEDERAL RECOGNITION. The following officers received Federal recognition.

DURKIN, JAMES G. CPT Trp F(-) 2/163d AC	7 Sep 77
GRAHAM, ERIC S. 1LT How Btry (-) 1/163d AC	13 May 77
KROGSTAD, ELDON E. 1LT Trp B(-) 1/163d AC	25 Jul 77
MORRISON, ANTHONY 1LT Trp F(-) 2/163d AC	30 Aug 77
TILLERSON, BILLY R. CW2 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	28 Jun 77
VOSEN, HAROLD C. 1LT Trp E(-) 2/163d AC	12 Jul 77
WILLIS, THOMAS D. 1LT How Btry (-) 1/163d AC	25 Jul 77

902. MT ARNG STRENGTH AS OF 31 OCT 77.--See Page 8.

UNIT AND LOCATION	AUTHORIZED				ASSIGNED			
	OFF	WO	EM/EW	AGGR	OFF	WO	EM/EW	AGGR
St Hq & Hq Det	43	9	39	91	42	9	62	113
HHT(-) 163d AC	29	3	123	155	29	2	97	128
Trp N(-) 163d AC	14	22	89	125	13	24	89	126
Det 1, Trp N 163d AC	2	9	49	60	3	7	43	53
3669th Maint Co	7	8	107	122	7	8	112	127
103d PA Det	4	-	9	13	3	-	11	14
Det 1, HHT 163d AC	4	18	69	91	9	12	67	88
1049th Engr (FFTG)	1	-	23	24	1	-	17	18
HHT(-) 1/163d AC	15	9	137	161	15	7	100	122
Det 1, HHT 1/163d AC	2	-	50	52	1	-	38	39
Trp A(-) 1/163d AC	3	-	77	80	4	-	53	57
Det 1, Trp A 1/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	33	35
Trp B(-) 1/163d AC	2	-	44	46	1	-	41	42
Det 1, Trp B 1/163d AC	1	-	54	55	1	-	53	54
Det 2, Trp B 1/163d AC	2	-	48	50	1	-	28	29
Trp C(-) 1/163d AC	3	-	77	80	2	-	73	75
Det 1, Trp C 1/163d AC	2	-	69	71	1	-	32	33
Co D(-) 1/163d AC	3	-	56	59	2	-	43	45
Det 1, Co D 1/163d AC	2	-	38	40	2	-	24	26
How Btry(-) 1/163d AC	6	-	49	55	5	-	49	54
Det 1, HB 1/163d AC	2	-	62	64	2	-	47	49
HHT(-) 2/163d AC	15	9	137	161	16	7	113	136
Det 1, HHT 2/163d AC	2	-	50	52	2	-	33	35
Trp E(-) 2/163d AC	3	-	77	80	3	-	39	42
Det 1, Trp E 2/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	27	29
Trp F(-) 2/163d AC	3	-	77	80	3	-	67	70
Det 1, Trp F 2/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	64	66
Trp G(-) 2/163d AC	3	-	77	80	2	-	58	60
Det 1, Trp G 2/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	67	69
Co H 2/163d AC	5	-	94	99	5	-	52	57
How Btry 2/163d AC	8	-	111	119	7	-	102	109
Co C(-) 5th SF Bn	9	-	57	66	8	-	51	59
Det 1, Co C 5th SF Bn	5	-	25	30	5	-	25	30
HHD 6th SF Bn	7	-	11	18	7	-	16	23
	<u>215</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>2,261</u>	<u>2,563</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>1,826</u>	<u>2,112</u>